I live in a Colorado mountain resort and am forced to commute to Denver often...in any condition.

Radio reception is inconsistent, subject to constant interruption and stations stay "on" for only intermittent periods. Satellite radio has changed all that.

I can tune in an XM station at home and stay with that station the entire way to Denver. During periods of rain and snow storms, I must know whether the interstate is again closed by avalanche or subject to dangerous rock fall or blocked by another semi-truck crash.

Until and unless a viable alternative for the safety and comfort that satellite radio offers me is presented by the NAB, there can be no rational reason for the FCC to deny safety and condition information for mountain travelers.